changes that are going to be proposed will do. With that, I just felt that it was my obligation, as chairman of the committee, to rise to state my concerns. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hall, Senator Ashford next.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Again, the issue I guess...I would ask Senator Ashford to yield to a question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Would you respond, Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Sure. This reminds me of my...yes, I will.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Ashford, you asked...you stated that the issue with regard to accommodation for family members is an important one. Can you...and you also stated, you used the example that manufacturers will bring someone else in to, I guess as a threat with regard to their contracts or things like that. Can you tell me how many times has that happened in the State of Nebraska?

SENATOR ASHFORD: I'll tell you, it's happened in my practice twice and...

SENATOR HALL: How many times has it happened in the State of Nebraska?

SENATOR ASHFORD: Oh, Tim, let me ask to answer the question. It has happened in my practice twice and what happens is, to answer your question, is that the manufacturer will come in and say we're not going to allow you to transfer it to your family member. It's a substantially...you have an investment of a half a million dollars, all of a sudden it is worth nothing or worth 25,000 or worth...if you restrict...if you come in and terminate that ability, you are appreciably depleting the value of that asset.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Ashford, has there ever been a case in Nebraska where a franchisee...

SENATOR ASHFORD: Yeah, but...

SENATOR HALL: ...has ever ...